

PROJECT FACT SHEET

Pine Mount Creek Habitat Restoration Cumberland County, NJ

September 2005

CONGRESSIONAL INFO: Sen. Corzine NJ, Sen. Lautenberg NJ, Rep. LoBiondoNJ-2

AUTHORITY: Section 1135 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986

LOCATION: Tributary of the Cohansey River one mile upstream of the Delaware Bay.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project is the restoration of a dike and creation of a wildlife management area along the Cohansey River at the mouth of Pine Mount Creek. The Cohansey River is the site of a shallow draft Federal navigation channel no longer used by commercial navigation. Approximately 60 acres of wetlands were lost to dredged material disposal activities during the operation of this Federal navigation channel. This project will restore the environment by providing a high quality wildlife management area for the New Jersey Division of Fish & Wildlife as well as tidal flood protection for adjacent farms and residences.

PROJECT STATUS: A Preliminary Restoration Plan was approved in December 2002 and the sponsor's request letter received in February 2005. The Feasibility Study is underway with a draft report expected to be completed this year.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

	FEASIBILITY/P&S	CONSTRUCTION
Total Estimated Project Cost	\$750,000	\$3,000,000
Allocation thru FY2004	\$128,200	0
Allocation for FY 2005	\$277,000	0
Capability for FY 2006	\$150,000	0

<u>CRITICAL ISSUES</u>: Previous dike failures due to poor subsurface conditions will require extensive and costly foundation improvements.

SPONSOR: NJDEP Division of Fish and Wildlife, Ducks Unlimited, Inc. and Cumberland County.

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